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FERN COTTAGE.

ND Fern Cottage is leased for two A years to a widow lady, Mrs. ynor. She brought good letters from New York, and supports herself by coloring fashion plates for a magazine

This was the last statement my lawer made upon the long-winded recital of the state of my affairs when I returned from a seven-years' absence to take up my abode in my own home. He had by my directions renovated and put into good order the large, handsome house that was my inheritance from father, grandfather and greatgrandfather, passing in each generation through a course of modernizing that still left the stately, old-fashioned walls and extensive grounds intact. We Hiltons were very fond of Hilton place and had ample means wherewith to maintain its beauty.

But beside my own home I also posessed several houses in the village of Crawford and one cottage just at the boundary line of my garden, a pretty place that my mother had christened Fern Cottage, from the number of rare ferns that nestled in the little garden neder fanciful miniature grottos and piles of rock placed there.

vening that, passing the cottage, I saw through open windows my new tenant. She was bending over a small table, apparently drawing, while the circle of ight from a student lamp fell full upon ner. I had funcied a vulgar, commonplace woman. This was what I saw:

unds as white and perfect as if carved marble. A face purely oval, colorless and fair, with regular features and shaded by hair of midnight black. Twice while I looked she lifted her eyes, large, lustrous and dark, full of suppressed pain. A face that covered a heart full of bitter anguish, a brain sensitive and cultivated.

ticed little, preferring to write for the use of younger students; but I love my rofession, and cannot quite keep its i stincts quiet when I study a new face. And all these instincts warned me that here was a woman burning a candle already flickering at both ends.

I had quite forgotten that mine was not a strictly honorable position, thus spying on a solitary woman's privacy, when an elderly woman, seemingly an upper servant of better days, came into

"Will you never cease working?" she said, fretfully, "When the daylight is gone, and you cannot sort your colors, you take up that drawing that is ruining your eyes. Rest child!"

that face, full, rich, melodious, but freighted with sadness, answered her: "Rest! You know I cannot rest!"

The widow rose then, sweeping her heavy, black draperies across the room o the piano, where she played. Surely, if this was recreation, it was a pitiful mockery. Wailing, minor music full of sobbing pain. Heavy chords melting into sad refrains. A master touch, a rare power in the long, slender fingers only called out strains of heartbreaking pathos.

day from her strength, and I was not surprised one morning to see old Susan coming hastily into my hallway.

vou come?" I went at once, finding my patient prostrated at last, and gently submis-

"I must work," she said, "as long as I can hold a brush." "But you will die," I said, bluntly, "if

lay, and then, if possible, sleep."

Her dreary smile confirmed my opinion that sleep was a rare visitor at her pillow, but she did not say so. Indeed,

sip. If you think you can trust me with Mrs. Raynor's secret trouble, I may be

"Oh, sir, it's awful trouble, and we

don't want it to be known about here!" "I'll not betray you," I said, gently. hinking herself one for four years! Je, Mr. Raynor, sir, for she's never hid ter name, is a bad man, a man who early killed her with his drinking and ambling and bad company. He spent | rival.

rippled her boy with a blow of his drunken fists, and then he left her poor and sick, and the boy all crushed. She worked day and night for the child, litfle Harold, and he grew to nine years

Mr. Raynor found us out, and he would have taken the child, he would, the fiend, because she loved it. So we stole to Germany with a friend. I'm telling my story all wrong, sir. We heard Mr. Raynor was dead-heard it from his Miss Edna-Mrs. Raynor, 1 meanthought herself free, when she let Mr Duchesne come to see her, and—ah. vell, doctor, he was a true man; gentle kind and loving, and so good to Harold each other? They would have been married if Mr. Raynor had not come back. pleased as Punch to find he could make little more misery for his wife."

"Yes, he is, sir; the more's the pity! Mr. Duchesne is in Germany with Harold, and my poor dear is working her precious life away to pay for the baths for the boy, and to keep Mr. Raynor away. She pays him so much a month

to leave her in peace." "It is a sad story," I said. "And I was ines, Susan, for such misery as this." hastily to summon me one heavy Au-

"Come, please," she urged. "He's here, hurt!"

"Who?" I asked. "Mr. Raynor! He came cursing and and beloved. Out of her heavy despondney, throwing self aside, Mrs. Raynor developed her charitable, forgiving nature in the weeks of illness that fol-

moother the passage to the grave. is the injured man passed toward the sortals of eternity, we kept his vife

from her heart when she said to me:

ceased to wail and sob, and the slender

onished, as Susan whispered:

"Her boy is coming home for Christmas. Mr. Duchesne is bringing him, and we expect them any day. And Harold is perfectly cured."

bells rang out their joyful peals. The the way to a noble manhood.

And of his companion I can only say that i have no truck or more valued friend than Frank Duchesne, who comes every summer with his beautiful wife and pretty children to spend the hot months at Fern Cottage .- N. Y. Ledger.

have been sentenced to from 15 days' to two months' imprisonment and to pay heavy fines for having acted illegally during the last elections. Several priests were arrested on the spot, while those who took to flight were pursued by socialists, who stormed buildings in which they took refuge.

Found the Bones. Egypt's pyramid builders were cannibals, according to Mr. Flinders Petrie's assertion. He has found bones, picked clean and separately wrapped up, in many tombs,

His Narrow Escape. At an experience meeting of bachelors one of the most popular of the foreign lot confessed that years before be had labored under the delusion that he was in love, and that he had escaped matrimony through the success of a

A JOB FOR 700 TURKEYS.

It from Invading Grasshoppers. W. R. Birmingham, of Oakland, a few years ago purchased a large tract of land in the river bottom below Pollasky, and has since put out over 18,000 fruit trees. There was a small orchard on the place when he purchased it, and these older trees are in full bearing while peach trees but three and four years old have borne large crops. The soil is deep silt, and very fertile. Mr Birmingham put in a large gasoline en gine and pump, and pumps water from the San Joaquin river to irrigate with The orchard presents a very thrifty appearance, and all the trees that are okenough are loaded with fruit.

The other day an army of grasshoppers came down (from the hills to the southeast and invaded one corner or the crchard. They were too young to fly much and could only hop and crawl but they had a voracious appetite, and within a few hours had eaten every lead from every tree over an area of five There was in the garden tract nearly

everything in the vegetable line, but the hoppers showed no preference whatever, eating everything clean as they went. Squash vines that were very thrifty, each of which covered a space of perhaps six feet square, were eater off clean. Strawberries were eaten without cream, and every berry and vegetable in the garden went to fatten grasshoppers. And there were mirlions upon millions of hoppers and hoppers. They are not of the 17-year variety either, but just common, everyday foothill grasshoppers with a moun tain appetite. As their wings are not large enough to enable them to indulge the disposition so prevalent in both man and animal to hurry on to other localities in search of greener or better pastures, they just hop and crawl upon the trees and vines, and eat, and eat, and eat. It does seem as if they can eat for 24 hours without a rest.

Mr. Birmingham at once put an advertisement in the Republican that he wanted a thousand turkeys. A wagon lead of turkeys passed through Fresne recently en route for Pollasky, but he wants all he can get.

As an experiment Mr. Birmingham mixed with a quart of middlings and a quart of bran one pound of arsenic and set the mixture before the invading army. They are with a relish andmarched onward, right on. He says

he didn't find a dead grasshopper. Two years ago the hoppers invaded the same orchard. Mr. Birmingham found a Portuguese who had a band of 700 turkeys, and at once made arrangements with him to bring his turkeys down to the orchard and camp there The owner of the turkeys had several well-trained shepherd dogs, and with their aid 25 turkeys were allotted to each row of trees, and herded slowly along, eating hoppers, as they went Men were sent in advance to shake the hoppers from the trees, and the turkeys did the rest. The hoppers were totally destroyed and the orchard saved -Fresno (Cal.) Republican.

FLEEING FROM THE CZAR.

A Slav Colony with Marks of Shackles and Dungeon Tales of Wor. A carload of Russian Slavs latel passed through here, bound for the ba-Lands, west of Bismarck, where the will locate. They are unable to spea English. There were 21 men in th party, besides women and children They came from eastern Russia, and were averse to talking about their intive country, and seemed to think the

were still under the power of the czar. Whether nihilists or not, as me of the members of the party have self-refrom the suspicion of nihilism. One o the men, Michael Lodovitch, claims t be a brother of the famous e lie iva-Lodovitch, who has spent 10 years i the salt mines of lower Siberia. An other emigrant, Tesah Stolstock, wa sent to Siberia for life in 1 81, anstill bears the marks of the shaekle with which he was confined in made ground dungeons. On the coronati of the present czar, however, he wa pardoned, with 200 others. Later, S of stock was again arrested as a ru peete. nihilist, the same crime of whi h h was accused and punished before, but he escaped. He was joined by his sis ter in Belgium, and they at once start-

ed for America. Perhaps the worst example of Russian punishment in this party is Ivid Molosky, a Pole. He was never in Siberia, but for six years was kept in the dungeons of Moscow. These dungeons are under the river, and, he says are always at least two inches dee with water that filters through the cement walls. From June, 1889, to No vember, 1896, Molosky saw no ray o light, and his only companions were the rats. His offense, so the police crim was an attempt on the life of Michael Connor, a Russian officer of the ezar's guard. Molosky claims that he never had a trial, and was only released on his promise that he would leave Eussia at once, otherwise suffer life imprisonment. At the point where these people will locate there is already quite a settlement of their friends, who preceded them about a year ago. - Minneapolis Journal

he is charged double tax.

other states, and prohibiting wheel-

went the whole distance without sleep.

put on the market, and now it is claimed

that success is assured. We have heard

law, but it would be hard to find.

York to adopt a bievele tax. The new

side path law went into effect April 3.

It taxes bicycles 50 cents annually. Up

to noon, 1,074 licenses had been taken

out. Delinquents are liable to have

their wheels seized and sold.

Another chainless bicycle has been

the age of \$2 years. CYCLING POINTS.

nental wire to Lake Tanganyika. If a cyclist in France fails to inform the authorities that he owns a bicycle, July 6, 1893. June 23, 1894; December 14 New York is following the lead of 1895, and April 25, 1897, are the dates of

men carrying children on their biordained as an Episcopal deaconess in New Haven recently, is the first wom-J. E. Snell, the Australian cyclist, recently rode from Adelaide to Melan to take orders in the diocese of Conbourne a distance of 595% miles in necticut. two days 14 hours, 31/2 minutes. Snell

of the musician. Gov. Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee,

In the Boston parks wheelmen are who, it is said, will resign, achieved noforbidden to stand or lean a wheel toriety during his candidacy by playing against any of the walls or fences. Pera violin, while making speeches. He haps there is some reason for such a now says he is "tired of the ingratitude of polities." Senator Wellington, of Maryland, in-Niagara is the first county in New

terests himself while the senate is in session in looking over newspaper elippings about himself. He subscribes to a news-clippings bureau and reads everything that is said about himself with a great deal of interest.

AROUND THE WORLD BY CART.

One Reason Why Medical Imposters Prosper.

redulity and Ignorance of Some People Make Them Easy Victims for the Fakirs to Practice Their Wiles Upon.

"Nine out of ten people believe," said

ABSURD BELIEFS.

surgeon to the writer, "that the eve an be taken out for repairs, just like he works of a watch, and again relaced in the socket precisely as it was scfore. A moment's reflection ought o show anyone how impossible this would be. As a matter of fact, the eye s held in place by no fewer than sax aut muscles, and, in order to turn it out of the socket, at least four of these would have to be cut through. Besides. it is connected with the brain by a thick nerve which cannot be stretched, and it is also connected with the inside of the skull by blood-vessels, and if these were cut they could never be reunited. Perhaps a time will come when a dead man can be restored to life; but you may feel perfectly sure that the renoval and restoration of the eye is a surgical feat that will never be per-

formed. "Another extraordinary popular belief is that respecting the nature of a ommon cold. You will hear the most intelligent men saying that it is due to in excess of cold inside your body, and they will advise you to use a mustard plaster 'to draw out the cold.' In reality the cold is simply an excess of heat inside, and the mustard plaster is intended to draw out the heat. What happens when you get a cold is that the ooing of the outside of the body squeezes the blood vessels and forces a lot more blood into the lungs than can be accommodated. They become regularly flooded and gorged, and the result is really a fever, though we call it a cold. "It seems a small thing to make a

mistake about the value of beef tea to a sick man; but I can assure you that hundreds of lives have been lost under the popular error that beef tea is a nourishing food. It is nothing more than water in which the pleasant and stimulating salts of the beef are dissolved and has the same effect as a mixture of whisky and China tea. But it has scarcely a particle of nutriment, and both doctors and public have starved to death more people than I'd like to state through believing that it

"Very similar is the belief that an egg is as good as a pound of meat. If you feed yourself on eggs according to this absurd theory, you will simply shrivel up into skin and bone. The real value of an egg is its weight in good beef; so that it would take eight eggs of the average size to supply the place of a pound of meat.

"Then there is the universal fallacy about the liver. I dare say that a million of money is spent every year on the livers of Great Britain and about nine hundred thousand of that sum does harm instead of good. The liver is subject to about one hundred diseases, and the cure for any one of these may intensify any other of the ninety-nine. To take one case as an example: The liver may be making too much bile, or it. may be making too little. Obviously, the remedy for one of these disorders would make the other worse than ever. So that when a person recommends something as being 'good for the liver,' just think that it may be good for his

liver, but not for yours. "Women are far worse than men in their beliefs about the body and its ailments. I am quite sure that out of every 100 children who die under one year old 50 are actually killed through the mother's belief that food is not nourishing unless it is solid. They don't understand that milk has an immense amount of solid matter dissolved in it, as sugar is dissolved in water; and so they give the unfortunate children cornflour and bread, which they can no more digest than they can digest fron nails. The result is a short life of misery and then death, while those of us who manage to survive are made martyrs to dyspepsia all our days.

"Many beliefs are merely absurd without being dangerous. Hair, for instance, is composed of almost the same material as the finger nails, and it is perfectly dead. Cutting the ends of t cannot possibly make it grow, although it does prevent the hair from splitting up; nor can the hair become white in a night, any more than a wig. When novelists, too, by the way describe a person's hair as standing on end they speak of a phenomenon that is perfectly impossible. Many of the lower animals have little muscles attached to the hairs by which they can erect them, but human beings have no such muscles, nor any other means of making the hair stand on end except their hands or a comb and brush."-N. Y. Tribune.

ABOUT PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Gen. Cadorna, who commanded the Italian troops when they took possession of Rome in 1870, died recently at

Dr. Jameson, according to the Cape Town Times, will return to South Africa to carry the Rhodes transconti-The duchess of York was married

the births of her three children. Miss Mary Isabella Potter, who was

A movement is on foot to erect a monument to Henri Vieuxtemps, the famous Belgium violinist. The monument will be erected at Verviers, the birthplace

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Comfortable House Wagon and the Journey 1ts Owner Plans to Take. A novel expedition is that planned by Jonathan Olson, of Altoona, Pa., who is going around the world in a cart. He starts this spring, and expects to complete his journey by June 1, 1899. His route, as planned, is south to

Texas, across Mexico to South America. thence by steamer to Spain and so on. His vehicle is homemade, 20 feet long and seven wide, and consists of four parts, braced together, so as to endure any strain. Olson has finished the inside in polished maple and adorned it

with hand earvings of his own design The interior, besides having three rooms, is charmingly conceited in point of convenience. In one room they cook and in bad weather dine there also But the dining-room is out of doors. where the wagon can be pulled up in pleasant eating places. Five days our of the week it is planned to built where the cloth can be spread under the frees and a good, cool drink obtained from a

The second room has a couch and small table. The table can be used for breakfast tray or can be cleared at night and used for parlor games. It also does duty as writing table or for books and a smoking set. On one side of the room there is a dressing table that takes up the entire wall. It has 21 drawers, a broad shelf and mirror. with shelves overhead. Here the enire winter and summer wardrobe is

The third room is a trunk room. Here chairs are stored, tables piled up and hammocks kept for unpleasant weather-the plan is not to sleep in the nouse, but in hammocks slung from Provisious are to be bought of the

the privilege of looking through the The kitchen is the most admired room of all. Cups are hung from hooks, and plates set in little grooves. Pans are on the walls; all is polished as bright as

farmers, so far as possible, who are ex-

peeted to supply butter, eggs, vegeta-

bles and . Lickens cheaply in return for

hands can make it. The most ingenious arrangement of all is a sliding door by which the whole side of the "house" can be opened. The doors slide to one side and finally come completely off and may be laid under | color. he eart or used for a table nucler th trees. Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

FUNERAL STREET RAILWAYS. Scheme Proposed in St. Louis Which

WIII Reduce Cost of Barials. During the certified summer several Louis will to the impovation of operating funeral cars over their lines. In the bill introduced in the council a few days ago applying for a franchise to extend the Southern Electric road from its present terminus at Broadway and Howard street to the fair grounds a clause is included authorizing the company to run funeral ears, as well as

United States mail and express cars. As yet the company has formed no lefinite plan for the operation of these ars, and has set no time for the inauguration of this new departure. One or more cars, especially constructed for funeral service, will be ordered built, and the public will be given an opportunity to see to what advantage funeral can be conducted on a street railway, as compared with the primi tive system of employing carriages and

The cars will be of the very finest make, and will be furnished as completely as the latest improved parlor ears, with silk draperies, cushioned chairs and carpeted floors. The most favored funeral cars in cities where street railway funerals have ceased to be experiments is one arranged with two compartments, so that the casket can be carried into the forward room, while the mourners and friends are amply provided for in the rear compartment.

The reduced cost is an argument in favor of street railway funerals. It is possible to conduct a funeral on the ears for ten dollars, which would cost not less than \$50 if carriages and a hearse were employed. The average charge for each carriage is five dellars. while a hearse costs from six to ten dollars. A funeral car can be secured for ten dollars, and will provide acommodation for the easket, palibear ers, elergyman and 40 moneners, and will displace a hearse and ten carriages. -St. Louis Republic.

MY LADY'S PARASOL.

She Should Have a Dozen-How She Can Get Along with Three. Parasols have blossomed out into a

ariety and fresh importance in the ealm of fashion which is really disheartening to all women except the few who are blessed with unlimited incomes or a mind above the frivolous things of life. Fashion decrees that the up-todate woman must have from six to a dozen of these expensive trifles to harmonize respectively with her various costumes, but with three well selected she can meet all the requirements of fashionable dress. One should be of changeable or foulard silk, or ecru batiste, another of brocaded silk, and a third one of chiffon or lace to carry with thin gowns.

The chiffon parasol is a thing of frills and fluff, which is a puzzle to anyone except the ingenious designer who fashioned it. In this class of parasols there are various kinds similarly elaborate, made of net, lace and gauze, and the handles are of gold set with icwels, with rock crystal and coameled heads of tortoise shell or some choice wood.

Elegant brocaded and moire silks are ised for covering, but there are all sorts of less expensive silk parasols in plain colors, plaids and stripes without limit to the variety. Ecru batiste parasols lined with a color and trimmed with narrow eeru lace are extremely pretty and useful as well as good style, and a lacquered wood handle is sure to be a desirable choice. N. Y. Sun.

An Awful Idiot. "Of all the fools I ever heard of, Jimberson is the chief."

"What of Jimberson, pray?" "Because his wife insisted that he should not stay around home while she was cleaning house, he thinks her love for him has waned,"-Indianapolis Journal.

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Baby cribs are being placed on the market which can be folded up in small space when not in use, the frame beng formed of hinged members which lock fast when opened to support a canvas crib which is attached to a pivoted framework. To prevent dust from getting on the

chains and gear wheels of a bicycle the dmin is surrounded by a pair of telescopic takes, with drums at the ends to cover the gears, the shafts projecting through small holes in the side of the To raise bread dough after it has been

kneaded a new raising pan is fitted with a reservir underneath which is filled with warm water to heat the dough to the right temperature without the necessity of placing it on the stove, where it might dry out or burn. In a newly designed poultry feeder

a double cone is placed in a frame with the upper cone much larger than the smaller one to hold a large quantity of grain and the lower one opening downward into a round tray with a flange around its edge to prevent waste of the

In a new block signal system for railoads the signals are operated automatically by the passing train, which closes the block as it enters and opens it as it enters the next block, which is in turn closed, thus telling the next engineer if there is a train close ahead of

FASHION'S MIRROR.

Red blowaways are the newest aigrettes for evening wear, and red gad-

flies hover over blue roses Hack trimmings predominate on high-colored dresses, even for the house, to soften and tone down the excess of

and red make a meetly mixture and both are well worn. Watered silk poplin is new, and is certainly a very good wearing material. The fashionable parasols have won-

simblance of a horse chestnut bursting from its prickly sheath, The most jeweled belts are worn. sametimes steel, with amethyst, very often torquoise set in silver or leather

with jewels down the center.

lerful handles; the latest taking the

Plack cloth jackets are now trimmed with white large applique, and very smart they look, especially when they open over white watered silk waist It is remarkable how much vivid red

s worn both in the day and evening; even young girls have poppy-red straw hats, surrounded with a ruche of the same shade, with an aigrette at the back, sometimes black, mostly red. Royal blue is a color which appears frequently in the trimming of other-

little bicycle suit of tan Melton has coat revers faced with royal blue moire. The demand for printed silk musn of a filmy texture is hardly equal to he supply. It makes the most styish bodices and sleeves, falls into the softest folds, and seems capable of taking a lovely range of colors.—Boston

wise sober cloth gowns. One fetching

CAR. FOR THE EYES. Keep soap and dust out of the eyes. Never read or use the eyes for fine work during twilight.

When the eyes are weak sleep all that Shade the eyes from the full glare of the sunlight.

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Do not work in a poor light, and avoid glaring light, as it may be as bad as

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sort of work. Whenever the eyes ache or are easily fatigued use them as little as possible, and look up frequently from the work to rest them.

do not confine them too closely to any

When reading hold the head erect and at a distance from the light, and do not bend the head over the needlework. Avoid poorly-printed books with poor saper and poor type, and do not read when riding in cars or carriage, nor

when convalescent from a protracted

Stands for playing cards consist of

illness, nor when the whole body is in

weakened state. NOVELTIES AND CONVENIENCES

a pi-reed work case of silver, mounted on end in an oblong silver tray. This senson's products in handcarved busts, statuettes and groups, in ivory, delighted the holiday shoppers. Mahogany cabinets in Louis XV. style attract with the artistic marquetry designs with which they are decorated.

Every traveler is alive to the desirability of a large alligator satchel completely fitted with silver and cut glass appartenances.

The wearers of glasses appreciate the convenience and safety afforded by cases of velvet and leather, with silver trimmings. Unique among rattles for children are rings of pearl or ivory, one-half of

which represents the man in the moon, while the other half is furnished with tiny silver bells. In art furniture, nothing exceeds in

popularity, perhaps, the small gilt tables mounted with Venetian plaques, which form almost the entire top, there being just sufficient gilt showing to provide a suitable frame for the plaque.

BY ANNA SHIELDS. ⁹9eeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee

It was after twilight on a warm April A figure slender and graceful, with

I am a physician, though I have prac-

Then the voice I knew must belong to

"Piay, then. Do anything but strain our eyes any longer over that fine

A soft rain drove me home, but I nused long and deeply over my tenant. I called several times, and received courous welcome, was entertained by strictly conventional conversation. heard the piano in some fashionable, showy music, and found the surface society of Mrs. Raynor, a gentle, refined

lady, attractive and agreeable - no more. I might have accepted this for the real woman, but I had a habit of lingering about my garden, and as the drawingroom of Fern Cottage commanded no other view, my neighbor seldom closed the windows as the spring crept into summer. Paler, more shadowy, with added sadness in the great, dark eyes. Mrs. Raynor became almost ethereal as the warm weather stole something each

Don't you know that it is a very danger-"Oh, Dr. Wilton," she said, "she has fainted over those horrid pictures! Will

> sive to all my commands but one, the most imperative.

you do not take a few weeks of entire rest." "Die!" she said, quietly, not as if there was any terror in the thought, but as if it was a new possibility in some problem of life. "No, I must not die yet!" "Then you must obey me!" I answered. "I will send a carriage every afternoon, with a careful driver, and you must go with Susan for a drive. You must be outdoors as much as possible, excepting during the heat of the

she made no complaint, evidently allow ing my visits solely out of regard for And to Susan I turned at last for counsel. She had come to my house for some medicine I had brought from Paris -- an opiate not yet in use in this country. And I pointed to a seat, saying: "Susan, I am past 60 years old, crippled, as you see, seldom leaving my home except for foreign travel-no gos-

able to cure her." The warmen looked startled for a moment, and then, bursting into tears, she

"You see, sir, she is not a widow, after

Turned Loose in an Orchard to Save

old, but always crooked and puny. Then Harold away in the night and sent him own brother, too, who believed it, and She thought she was a wid, w and her heart was sore, so sore you can never ness, for she was one to take trouble hard—and what harm, if they loved

"But he is not living now?"

oo hasty in thinking I might help Mrs. Raynor if I knew it. We have no medi-But yet I was glad to have heard the tory. I sent books to the cottage, and went over frequently, trying to win the heavy-hearted woman away from her own troubled thoughts, and amazed at her rare patience and courage. I had done but little in my efforts to restore her health, when Susan came

swearing because his money was not sent last month, and this morning he vent over to Crawford and got drunk. He was coming home again, when he stumbled somehow and fell under a hay eart. He's badly hurt. I think the wheels went over his breast. I suppose, oad as he is, we'll have to nurse him." And bad as he was, tyrant, tormentor and traitor, the new patient thus thrown upon my hands was nursed as tenderly as if he had been both loving

lowed her husband's injuries, fatal from the first. I believe she would have kept him in life if by any self-sperifice it had been possible, but she could only make I had thought her own tenure of life ut frail, but in her devotion she grew tronger. She gained sleep by actual ohysical exhaustion, and calmness by he consciousness of duty performed. susan, by my advice, provided food that was nourishing in small quantities, and

rom throwing her own life away by or united efforts. I would like, for humanity's sake, to write that the reprobate reformed, or ven showed common gratitude for the are lavished upon him, but he died as he had lived, sinking into stupor for days before the end came, and never, usan assured me, bestowing one word of thanks upon his gentle, tender nurse. It was a small funeral cortege that eft Fern Cottage to take the remains of John Raynor to his New York home insisted upon escorting the widow, and left her with an aunt, who was sympathizing and kind, but evidently spoke

"Thank the Lord, he is dead this I scareely expected Fern Cottage to be occupied soon again, but Mrs. Eavnor returned in a few weeks, working again busily, for her boy, she told me ontent to bear some further separaion, as he was gaining greatly by the German treatment. But the desolate yearning was gone from the large, dark yes, and health came back slowly in the winter months, when my advice was followed, and Susan guarded my patient against overwork. The piano

fingers found tasks in weaving gladder A year passed, and one evening, just before the Christmas time, I opened the cottage door. Upon my startled ears fell the sounds of song. Never had heard Mrs. Raynor's rich, melodious voice in song before, and I paused, as-

I did not go in. Such joy as that I felt should have no witness. They came, these eagerly expected travelers, just before the Christmas slender, bandsome boy had his mother's face, and was evidently cured and on

Sentence of Priests. At Prague, in Bohemia, nine priests